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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination please amend this application as follows:

IN THE FIGURES

Replace original figure 1 by the attached.

IN THE TITLE

Change the title to: --ISOLATED PROTEINS CONTAINING PORTIONS OF FAP α AND
OTHER PROTEINS--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 6, line 3: after amino acid "optimized" add -- SEQ ID NO: 2 gives the sequence of FAP. SEQ ID NO: 3 gives the amino acid sequence of CD26. --.

Page 10, line 7: change "Dod" to -- Dod --.

Page 11, line 23: change "2812" to -- 2815 --;

line 24: change "2277" to -- 2280 --.

Page 12, line 10: change "61" to -- 51 --;

line 13: change "48" to -- 52 --;

line 21: change "eight" to -- nine --.

Page 13, Table 2:

after "WGWSYGG" (each occurrence) add -- SEQ ID NO: 4 --;

after "GTADDNV" (each occurrence) add -- SEQ ID NO: 6 --;

after "DQNHGLS" add -- SEQ ID NO: 7 --;

after "DEDHGIA" (each occurrence) add -- SEQ ID NO: 8 --;

after "FGWSYGG" add -- SEQ ID NO: 4 --;

after "DSDHSIR" add -- SEQ ID NO: 8 --;

after "FGKDYGG" (each occurrence) add -- SEQ ID NO: 5 --;

after "PTADEKI" and each occurrence of "ATADEKI" add -- SEQ ID NO: 9 --;

after "DESHYFT", "DESHYFH" and "DESHYFS" add -- SEQ ID NO: 10 --.

Page 14, line 2: change "describes" to -- described --;

line 12: change "kd" to -- kD --.

Page 19, line 19: change "due" to -- dye --.

Page 21, line 5: delete " , ".

Page 26, line 17: following "library" change " , " to -- . --, and add the following:

-- One can identify such enzyme inhibitors by combining a molecule which has FAP enzyme activity, such as the dimeric molecules of the invention, including dimers of SEQ ID NO: 2, with a substrate for the molecule with the enzymatic activity, as well as a substance believed to be an inhibitor. Then, one determines the activity of the molecule with enzymatic activity on its substrate, in the presence of the substance believed to be enzyme

inhibitor. If there is a decrease in activity when the test substance is present as compared to when it is absent, then the substance is an inhibitor. --.

IN THE SEQUENCES

Please see attached.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-4 and 6-15 without prejudice.

Add claims 16-19 which follow:

Claim 16: The isolated protein of claim 5, wherein said non FAP protein is a CD8 protein.

Claim 17: The isolated protein of claim 5, wherein said at least one portion of a non FAP protein is an extracellular domain of a CD8 protein.

Claim 18: The isolated protein of claim 5, wherein said protein is a chimeric protein.

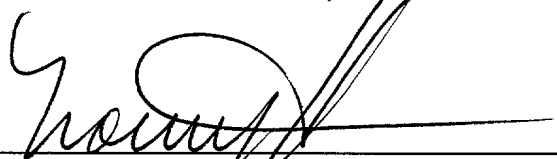
Claim 19: The isolated protein of claim 5, wherein said protein is a fuse in protein.

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Entry of the foregoing is requested.

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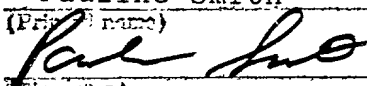
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RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/230,491, filed April 20, 1994, now pending and incorporated by reference.

5 FIELD OF THE INVENTION

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This invention relates to certain molecules associated with cancer tissues and reactive tumor stromal cells. More particularly, it relates to fibroblast activation protein alpha ("FAP α " hereafter) molecules. A monomeric form of the molecule has previously been identified immunochemically, but nucleic acid molecules coding for it had not been isolated or cloned nor have dimers been identified. These, inter alia, are features of the invention. The monomeric protein has a molecular weight of from about 88 to about 95 kilodaltons as determined by SDS-PAGE of boiled samples. The dimer has a molecular weight of about 170 kilodaltons as determined by SDS-PAGE of unboiled samples. FAP α is characterized by a number of features and properties which are shared by and characteristic of membrane bound enzymes, suggesting very strongly that it, too, is a membrane bound enzyme. The nucleic acid molecules, which are a key part of the invention, are useful both as probes for cells expressing FAP α , and as starting materials for recombinant production of the protein. The FAP α protein can then be used to produce monoclonal antibodies specific for the protein and are thus useful diagnostic agents themselves.

They also have additional uses, including uses related to enzymatic functions, as described herein.

BACKGROUND AND PRIOR ART

5 The invasive growth of epithelial cancers is associated with characteristic cellular and molecular changes in the supporting stroma. For example, epithelial cancers induce the formation of tumor blood vessels, the recruitment of reactive tumor stromal fibroblasts, lymphoid and phagocytic infiltrates, the release of peptide mediators and proteolytic enzymes, and the production of an altered extracellular matrix (ECM). See, e.g., Folkman, Adv. Cancer Res. 43: 175-203 (1985); Basset et al., Nature 348: 699-704 (1990); Denekamp et al., Cancer Metastasis Rev. 9: 267-282 (1990); Cullen et al., Cancer Res. 51: 4978-4985 (1991); Dvorak et al., Cancer Cells 3: 77-85 (1991); Liotta et al., Cancer Res. 51: 5054s-5059s (1991); Garin-Chesa et al., J. Histochem. Cytochem. 37: 1767-1776 (1989). A highly consistent molecular trait of the stroma in several common histologic types of epithelial cancers is induction of the fibroblast activation protein (FAP α), a cell surface glycoprotein with an observed M_r of 95,000 originally discovered with a monoclonal antibody, mAb F19, raised against proliferating cultured fibroblasts. See Rettig et al., Cancer Res. 46: 6406-6412 (1986); Rettig et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85: 3110-3114 (1988); Garin-Chesa et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. USA 87: 7235-7239 (1990); Rettig et al., Cancer Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993). Each of

these four papers is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Immunohistochemical studies such as those cited supra have shown that FAP α is transiently expressed in certain normal fetal mesenchymal tissues but that normal adult tissues are generally FAP α ⁻. Similarly, malignant epithelial, neural and hematopoietic cells are generally FAP α ⁻. However, most of the common types of epithelial cancers, including >90% of breast, lung, skin, pancreas, and colorectal carcinomas, contain abundant FAP α ⁺ reactive stromal fibroblasts. Garin-Chesa et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 87: 7235-7239 (1990). The FAP α ⁺ tumor stromal fibroblasts almost invariably accompany tumor blood vessels, forming a distinct cellular compartment interposed between the tumor capillary endothelium and the basal aspect of malignant epithelial cell clusters. While FAP α ⁺ stromal fibroblasts are found in both primary and metastatic carcinomas, benign and premalignant epithelial lesions, such as fibroadenomas of the breast and colorectal adenomas only rarely contain FAP α ⁺ stromal cells. In contrast to the stroma-specific localization of FAP α in epithelial neoplasms, FAP α is expressed in the malignant cells of a large proportion of bone and soft tissue sarcomas. (Rettig et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85: 3110-3114 (1988)). Finally, FAP α ⁺ fibroblasts have been detected in the granulation tissue of healing wounds (Garin-Chesa et al., supra). Based on the restricted distribution pattern of FAP α in normal tissues and its uniform expression in the supporting stroma of many epithelial cancers,

clinical trials with ^{131}I -labeled mAb F19 have been initiated in patients with metastatic colon cancer (Welt et al., Proc. Am. Assoc. Cancer Res. 33: 319 (1992); Welt et al. J. Clin. Oncol. 12: 1561-1571 (1994)) to explore the concept of "tumor stromal targeting" for immunodetection and immunotherapy of epithelial cancers.

Rettig et al., Int. J. Cancer 58: 385-392 (1994), incorporated by reference, discusses the FAP α molecule and its features. Rettig et al postulate that FAP α is found in high molecular weight complexes in excess of 400 kilodaltons, but do not discuss the possibility of dimeric molecules, nor does the paper elaborate on the specific enzymatic properties of the molecule.

The induction of FAP α ⁺ fibroblasts at times and sites of tissue remodeling during fetal development, tissue repair, and carcinogenesis is consistent with a fundamental role for this molecule in normal fibroblast physiology. Thus, it is of interest and value to isolate and to clone nucleic acid molecules which code for this molecule. This is one aspect of the invention, which is described in detail together with other features of the invention, in the disclosure which follows. Further aspects of the invention include the dimeric FAP α molecules, and the exploitation of the properties of these molecules. These features are also elaborated upon hereafter.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1 compares the deduced amino acid sequence for FAP α , and the known sequence of CD26. The alignment has been optimized.

Figures 2A-2H, inclusive, display immunohistochemical detection of FAP α and CD26 in various tissues. In figures 2A and 2B, breast cancer is studied, for FAP α (figure 2A), and CD26 (figure 2B). In figures 2C and 2D, malignant fibrous histiocytoma is studied, for FAP α (figure 2C), and CD26 (figure 2D). Dermal scar tissue is examined in figures 2E (FAP α), and 2F (CD26). Renal cell carcinoma is studied in figure 2G (FAP α), and 2H (CD26).

Figure 3 presents some of the data generated in experiments which showed that FAP α had extracellular matrix (ECM) protein degrading activity. When zymographic detection of gelatin degrading extracts of 293-FAP was carried out, the active substance was found to have a molecular weight of about 170 kD, via SDS-PAGE, using unboiled samples to preserve enzyme activity.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Example 1

Fibroblast cell line WI-38 had been observed, previously, to react with mAb F19 (Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 46: 6406-6412 (1986); Rettig et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. USA 85: 3110-3114 (1988); Garin-Chesa et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 87: 7235-7239 (1990);

Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993)). It was used in the experiments which follow.

A cDNA library was prepared from WI-38, using well known techniques and commercially available materials. Specifically, the library was constructed in expression vector pCDNAI, using the Fast Track mRNA isolation kit, and Librarian cDNA phagemid system. Once the library was prepared, the vectors were electroporated into cell line E. coli MC 1061/P3. The pCDNAI expression vector contains an antibiotic resistance gene, so the E. coli were selected via antibiotic resistance. The colonies which were resistant were then used in further experiments. The plasmid DNA from the colonies was obtained via alkaline lysis and purification on CsCl₂, in accordance with Sambrook et al, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (Cold Spring Harbor Lab, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. 2d Ed. 1989). The technique is well known to the art, but is incorporated by reference herein.

Once the plasmid DNA was isolated, it was used to transfect COS-1 cells, which were then cultured for forty-eight hours, after which these were tested with antibody coated dishes. The mAbs used included F19, as described by Rettig et al., (1986), supra, which is incorporated by reference in its entirety. As COS-1 cells are normally FAP α , any positive results indicated the presence of the coding sequence. The immunoselection protocol was that of Aruffo et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci USA 84: 3365-3369 (1987), incorporated by reference herein.

Plasmid DNA from positive clones was recovered, in accordance with Hirt, J. Mol. Biol. 26: 365-369 (1967), reintroduced into E. coli MC 1061/P3, and reselected in COS-1 cells.

The protocol presented herein was followed for four rounds. After this, the plasmid DNA of 50 isolated bacterial colonies was purified, using the Qiagen plasmid kit. Of the colonies, 27 clones were found to contain identical 2.8 kb inserts, as determined by EcoRI restriction enzyme mapping. Several of these were found to contain FAP α -specific cDNA as determined by transient expression in COS-1 cells and direct immunofluorescence staining with mAb F19. One of these clones, i.e., "pFAP.38" was selected for further study, as elaborated upon infra.

Example 2

Once pFAP.38 had been identified, it was tested together with a vector coding for known cell surface marker CD26 ("pCD26"), as well as with control vector pCDNA I.

In these experiments, COS-1 cells were transfected with one of pFAP.38, pCD26, or pCDNAI. After forty-eight hours, the transfectants were tested, using the well known MHA rosetting assay for cell surface antigen expression. In these experiments, mAb F19, which is FAP α specific, was used, together with mAb EF-1, which is CD26 specific. Also used were four other FAP α specific mAbs, i.e., FB23, FB52, FB58 and C48. Also tested were two cancer cell lines, which are known to react with mAb F19 (SW872 liposarcoma), or EF-1 (SK-OV6 ovarian cancer). The results are set

forth in Table 1, which follows.

Table 1. Cell surface expression of multiple FAP α epitopes and CD26 in human cells and COS-1 cell transfectants

Target cell	Cell surface antigen expression					
	F19	FB23	FB52	FB58	C48	EF-1
<u>Human cells</u>						
SW872 liposarcoma	>95%	>95%	>95%	>95%	>95%	-
SK-OV6 ovarian cancer	-	-	-	-	-	>95%
<u>COS-1 transfectants</u>						
COS·pCDNAI control	-	-	-	-	-	-
COS·pFAP 38	40%	30%	40%	20%	20%	-
COS·pCD26	-	-	-	-	-	40%

Example 3

Immunoprecipitation studies were then carried out to identify the antigen being targeted by the antibodies.

Cells were metabolically labelled with Trans ^{35}S -label, (ICN), extracted with lysis buffer (0.01 M Tris-HCl/0.15 M NaCl/0.01 M MgCl_2 /0.5% Nonidet P-40/aprotinin (20 ug/ml)/2 mM phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride), and then immunoprecipitated. The protocols used are all well known, as will be seen by reference to Rettig et

al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993); and Fellingner et al., Canc.
Res. 51: 336-340 (1991), the disclosures of which are all
incorporated by reference in their entirety. Precipitating mAbs
were negative control mouse Ig, mAb F19, or EF-1. Control tests
5 were carried out with mock transfected COS-1 cells. Following
immunoprecipitation, the immunoprecipitates were boiled in
extraction buffer and separated by NaDodSO₄/PAGE, under reducing
conditions. In some experiments, an additional test was carried
out to determine whether or not the immunoprecipitated material was
10 glycosylated. In these experiments, cell extracts were
fractionated with Con A-SEPHAROSE prior to immunoprecipitation.
Following immunoprecipitation, but prior to fractionation on
NaDodSO₄/PAGE, these precipitates were digested with N-Glycanase.

The results showed that, in COS-1 cells, pFAP.38 directs
15 expression of an 88 kd protein species (as determined via SDS-
PAGE), which is slightly smaller than the 95 kd FAP α species
produced by SW872, or cultured fibroblasts. Digestion with N-
Glycanase produced peptides of comparable size (i.e., 74 kd versus
75 kd), showing that the glycosylation of the FAP α protein in
20 COS-1 cells is different than in the human cell lines.

Example 4

Classic Northern blot analysis was then carried out, using the
mRNA from FAP α ⁺ fibroblast cell lines WI-38 and GM 05389, and FAP α ⁻
ovarian cancer cell line SK-OV6. Using the procedures of Sambrook

et al., supra, five micrograms of mRNA from each cell line were tested. The probes used were ^{32}P labelled, and were prepared from a 2.3 kb ECO I fragment of pFAP.38, a 2.4 kb Hind III fragment of CD26, and a 1.8 kb BamHI fragment of γ -actin cDNA. These fragments had been purified from 1% agarose gels.

The extracts of FAP α^+ fibroblast strains showed a 2.8 kb FAP mRNA species, but extracts of SK-OV6 do not. A γ -actin mRNA species (1.8 kb), was observed in all species.

Example 5

The cDNA identified as coding for FAP α was subjected to more detailed analysis, starting with sequencing. The classic Sanger methodology, as set forth in Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 74: 5463-5467 (1977), was used to sequence both strands of the cDNA. Once this was secured, an amino acid sequence was deduced therefrom. This information is presented in SEQ ID NO: 1. The sequence was then compared to the known amino acid sequence of CD26 (Morimoto et al., J. Immunol. 143: 3430-3437 (1989)). Figure 1 presents the comparison, using optimized sequence alignment. Any gaps in the comparison are indicated by asterisks, while identical amino acids are shown by dashes in the CD26 sequence. A hydrophobic, putative transmembrane sequence is double underlined, while potential N-glycosylation sites are single underlined.

The sequence analysis shows a 2812 base pair insert, wherein 2277 base pairs constitute the open reading frame. This ORF

extends from start codon ATG at nucleotide 209, to stop codon TAA at 2486.

The deduced polypeptide is 760 amino acids long, and has a molecular weight of 87,832. In contrast, N-Glycanase digested, immunopurified FAP α was reported to have an estimated M_r of 75,000 on NaDodSO₄/PAGE (Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993)).

A GenBank data base search was carried out. The most closely related genes found were those encoding dipeptidyl peptidase IV homologues (DPPIV; EC 3.4.14.5), with human DPPIV (also known as T-cell activation antigen CD26), showing 61% nucleotide sequence identity, and 48% amino acid sequence identity.

The second set of related genes are human, rat, and bovine homologues of DPPX, a gene of unknown function widely expressed in brain and other normal tissues. The predicted human DPPX gene product shows about 30% amino acid sequence identity with FAP α and CD26. The FAP α molecule exhibits structural features typical of type II integral membrane proteins, including a large COOH-terminal extracellular domain, a hydrophobic transmembrane segment, and a short cytoplasmic tail. The putative extracellular domain contains five potential N-glycosylation sites, eleven cysteine residues (eight of which are conserved between FAP α and CD26), and three segments corresponding to highly conserved catalytic domains characteristic of serine proteases, such as DPPIV. These conserved sequences are presented in Table 2, which follows. Comparisons to DPPIV and DPPX were made via Morimoto et al., supra; Wada et al.,

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 89: 197-201 (1992); Yokotani et al.,
Human Mol. Genet. 2: 1037-1039 (1993).

Table 2. Putative catalytic domains of FAP α , DPPIV and DPPX.

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Human FAP αWGWSYGG.....	GTADDNV.....	DQNHGLS....
Human DPPIVWGWSYGG.....	GTADDNV.....	DEDHGIA....
Mouse DPPIV	....WGWSYGG.....	GTADDNV..6.....	DEDHGIA....
Rat DPPIV	.4....WGWSYGG.....	GTADDNV.....	DEDEGIA....8
Yeast DPPIV	....FGWSYGG.....	GTGDDNV.....	DSDHSIR....
Human DPPX	....FGKDYGG.....	PTADEKI.....	DESHYFT....
Rat DPPX	....FGKDYGG5.....	ATADEKI9.....	DESHYFH....10
Bovine DPPX	....FGKDYGG.....	ATADEKI.....	DESHYFS....

Example 6

An additional set of experiments were carried out to determine whether FAP α related sequences are present in non-human species. To do so, human, mouse, and Chinese hamster genomic DNA was

digested using restriction enzymes, and tested, via Southern blotting, using the 2.3 kb fragment, labelled with ^{32}P , describes supra. Hybridization was carried out using stringent washing conditions ($0.1 \times \text{SSC}$, $0.1\% \text{NaDodSO}_4$, 68°C). Cross-hybridization was readily observed with both the mouse and hamster DNA, suggesting the existence of highly conserved FAP α homologues. In control experiments using the CD26 cDNA fragment described supra, no evidence of cross hybridization was observed.

Example 7

The CD26 molecule shares a number of biochemical and serological properties with FAP β , which is a previously described, FAP α associated molecule having a molecular weight of 105 kd, and is found on cultured fibroblasts and melanocytes (Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993)). Cotransfection experiments were carried out to determine whether FAP β is a CD26 gene product. To test this, the same protocols were used which were used for transfection with pFAP.38 or pCD26, as described supra, but using the two vectors. The results presented supra showed that cotransfection efficiency was about 40% for each vector, so about 10-20% of cell should be cotransfected.

Following cotransfection, the COS-1 cells were Trans ^{35}S -labeled, as described supra, then lysed, also as described supra.

The resulting cell extracts were separated on Con A SEPHAROSE, and the antigen (FAP α and/or CD26) were recovered in the Con A-

bound fraction. The bound fraction was eluted with 0.25 M α -D-mannopyranoside. Immunoprecipitation was then carried out, as described supra, and the precipitates were separated on NaDodSO₄/PAGE, also as discussed supra.

5 Those cells transfected only with pFAP.38 produced FAP α , but not FAP β (determined from mAb F19 immunoprecipitates). They also produce no CD26 antigen (tested with EF-1). Those cells transfected with pCD26 alone produce CD26 but no FAP α . Cotransfectants produce CD26 and FAP α /FAP β heteromers, as
10 determined in the mAb F19 precipitates. This result provides direct evidence that FAP β is a CD26 gene product.

Example 8

15 It has been observed previously that some cultured human cell types coexpress FAP α and CD26, and show FAP α /CD26 heteromer formation. In vivo distribution patterns of FAP α and CD26, however, as determined in previous immunohistochemical studies, appeared to be non-overlapping. (See Rettig et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85: 3110-3114 (1988); Garin-Chesa et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 87: 7235-7329 (1990); Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993); Stein et al., in Knapp et al., eds. Leukocyte typing IV-white cell differentiation antigens, pp 412-415 (Oxford University Press, N.Y. 1989), pp. 412-415; Möbius et al., J. Exp. Immunol. 74: 431-437 (1988)). In view of the potential
20 significance of FAP α /CD26 coassociation, tissue distribution was

reexamined, via side by side immunohistochemical staining of normal tissues and lesional tissues known to contain FAP α ⁺ fibroblasts or FAP α ⁺ malignant cells.

To test the samples, they were embedded in OCT compound, frozen in isopentane precooled in liquid nitrogen, and stored at -70°C until used. Five micrometer thick sections were cut, mounted on poly-L-lysine coated slides, air dried, and fixed in cold acetone (4°C, for 10 minutes). The sections were then tested with mAbs (10-20 ug/ml), using the well known avidin-biotin immunoperoxidase method, as described by, e.g., Garin-Chesa et al., J. Histochem. Cytochem. 37: 1767-1776 (1989); Garin-Chesa et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 87: 7235-7239 (1990); Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993); Garin-Chesa et al., Am. J. Pathol. 142: 557-567.

The results are shown in figure 2. Breast, colorectal, pancreas and lung carcinomas showed strong expression of FAP α and no CD26 was found (see figures 2A and 2B). Five FAP α ⁺ sarcomas, including malignant fibrous histiocytoma (figures 2C and 2D), were tested, and there was no expression of CD26. Examination of reactive fibroblasts of healing dermal wounds (figures 2E, 2F), showed abundant expression of both FAP α and CD26. The three renal carcinomas tested (figures 2G, 2H), showed expression of CD26 in malignant epithelium. FAP α was absent from malignant epithelial cells, and showed low expression in the stroma of these carcinomas.

Example 9

A mammalian cell line, transfected with a FAP α encoding cDNA, was prepared.

Human embryonic kidney cell line 293 is well known and widely available from, e.g., the American Type Culture Collection.

Samples of 293 were maintained, in an incubator, at 37°C, in an atmosphere of 95% air, and 5% CO₂. The cells were cultured in a 50:50 mixture of Dulbecco's modified minimal essential medium and Ham's F12 medium, augmented with 10% fetal bovine serum, penicillin and streptomycin. Following the procedures described by Ustar et al., Eur. Mol. Biol. J. 1991, and/or Park et al., J. Biol. Chem. 169: 25646-25654 (1994), both of which are incorporated by reference, cDNA for FAP α (i.e., SEQ ID NO: 1), was transfected into the 293 cells. Details of the cDNA vector are provided, supra (pFAP.38). Transfectants were selected for resistance to antibiotics (200 ug/ml Geneticin), and were then maintained in selection medium, containing Geneticin.

Individual colonies of resistant cells were picked, grown to confluence in 6 well tissue culture plates, and were tested for FAP α expression in an immunofluorescence assay (IFA), using FAP α specific monoclonal antibody F19 as described supra.

Those colonies which expressed FAP α were expanded, and monitored by indirect IFA and cytofluorometric analysis, also as set forth, supra.

The IFAs were positive for the transfectants, referred to hereafter as cell line 293-FAP, but were negative for parental line 293.

Example 10

5 In order to confirm that recombinant FAP α was, in fact, being produced, a series of immunoprecipitation experiments were carried out. These followed the methods of Park, et al., supra, and Rettig et al., Canc. Res. 53: 3327-3335 (1993), both of which are incorporated by reference. Essentially, ³⁵[S] methionine labelled
10 cell extracts were combined with monoclonal antibody F19, in the manner described supra. Precipitates were then boiled in extraction buffer and run on SDS-PAGE gels, using, as a negative control, mouse IgG1. Both cell line 293-FAP, and non transfected line 293 were tested. The results indicated clearly, that
15 recombinant FAP α was produced by the transfected cell line 293-FAP. This was determined by immunoprecipitation analyses, using FAP α specific monoclonal antibody F19.

Example 11

20 The ability to produce recombinant FAP α permitted further study of the molecule's properties. Specifically, given the structural features outlined in the prior examples, experiments were designed to determine if FAP α possesses enzymatic activities. The experiments were designed to test whether or not FAP α had

extracellular matrix (ECM) protein degrading activity.

Extracts of 293-FAP cells were prepared, using an extraction buffer (0.15M NaCl, 0.05M Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1 percent Triton X-114), were cleared by centrifugation (4,000xg, 10 minutes at 4°C), and phase partitioned at 37°C for 10-20 minutes. This was followed by further centrifugation (4000xg, 20 minutes at 20-25°C). Detergent phases were diluted with buffer (0.15 M NaCl, 0.05 M Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 5 mM CaCl₂, 5 mM MgCl₂, 0.75% Empigen BB), and separated on concanavalin A-Sepharose following Rettig et al., supra. Any concanavalin A bound fractions were eluted with 0.25M methyl- α -D-mannopyranoside in elution buffer 0.15 M NaCl, 0.05 M Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 5mM CaCl₂, 5 mM MgCl₂, 0.1% Triton X-100), mixed with zymography sample buffer (0.25 M Tris-HCl, pH 6.8, 8% SDS, 40% glycerol, 0.01% bromophenol blue), at a 3:1 ratio, and used for further analysis.

Aliquots of sample were loaded onto polyacrylamide gels containing 0.1% of either of gelatin or casein. Electrophoresis was then carried out in a Biorad Mini-Protein II system, at 20 mA constant current for 1.5 - 2 hours, until the bromophenol blue dye fronts of samples had reached the lower end of the gel. The gel was removed and incubated for one hour at 20-25°C in a 2.5% aqueous solution of Triton X-100 on a rotary shaker. The Triton X-100 solution was decanted, and replaced with enzyme buffer (0.05M Tris-HCl, pH 7.5, 0.2M NaCl, 5 mM CaCl₂, 5 mM MgCl₂, 0.02% Brij 35). The gel was then incubated at 37°C or 41°C, followed by staining or

destaining at room temperature. Gels were stained with 0.5% of Coomassie Brilliant Blue G-250 in an aqueous solution of 30% methanol and 10% acetic acid for 15, 30, and 60 minutes, respectively. Subsequently, gels were incubated for 15 minutes in an aqueous solution of 30% CH₃OH and 5% glycerol, followed by drying between sheets of cellophane.

Gelatinase activity was evaluated in accordance with Kleiner et al., Anal. Biochem. 218: 325-329 (1994), incorporated by reference in its entirety. This is a routine assay used to determine whether or not a protease capable of digesting gelatin is present. Labelled molecular weight standard were run on the same gels, under reducing conditions, for molecular weight determinations.

Proteolytic activity for defined amino acid sequence motifs were tested, using a well known membrane overlay assay. See Smith et al, Histochem. J. 24(9): 637-647 (1992), incorporated by reference. Substrates were Ala-Pro-7-amino-4-trifluoromethyl coumarin, Gly-Pro-7-amino-4-trifluoromethyl coumarin, and Lys-Pro-7-amino-4-trifluoromethyl coumarin.

The results of these experiments are depicted, in part, in figure 3. This figure shows zymographic detection of gelatin degrading activity, in the cell extracts. See Kleiner et al., supra. A protein species of approximately 170 kilodaltons, as determined by SDS-PAGE, was observed to have gelatin degrading activity. This species, which was found in the 293-FAP cell line,

but not in untransfected 293 cells, is thus identified as FAP α . The molecular weight is consistent with a dimer, i.e., a dimeric FAP α molecule.

The proteolytic activity described herein where gelatin is the substrate, was not observed when casein was the substrate.

Example 12

Further studies were then undertaken in order to characterize the 170 kD FAP α dimer further. Specifically, the experiments described in example 11 were repeated, except that 5% of 2-mercaptoethanol or 5 μ M iodoacetamide was added to the extracts prior to SDS-PAGE, or ethylenediamine N,N,N',N'-tetraacetic acid (10 mM) was added to the incubation buffer used for gelatin zymography. None of these treatments abolished the enzymatic activity. In contrast, heating at 100°C for five minutes prior to SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis abolished the gelatin-degrading activity.

Further work, using a membrane overlay assay, described by, e.g., Smith et al., Histochem J. 24(9): 643-647 (1992), incorporated by reference, revealed that the FAP α dimers were able to cleave all of the Ala-Pro, Gly-Pro, and Lys-Pro dipeptides tested.

In further experiments, a fusion protein was produced which comprised the extracellular domains of both FAP α and murine CD8 proteins. This chimeric protein was produced in a baculovirus system in insect cells. The chimeric protein exhibited the same

enzymatic activity as FAP α , using the model discussed supra.

The foregoing examples describe an isolated nucleic acid molecule which codes for fibroblast activating protein alpha ("FAP α "), as well as dimeric forms of the molecule, and uses thereof. The expression product of the sequence in COS-1 is a protein which, on SDS-PAGE of boiled samples, shows a molecular weight of about 88 kd. Deduced amino acid sequence, as provided in SEQ ID NO: 1, for one form of the molecule, yields a molecular weight of about 88 kd.

It should be noted that there is an apparent discrepancy in molecular weight in that the COS-1 isolate is glycosylated, while molecular weight from deduced amino acid sequences does not account for glycosylation. Membrane proteins are known to exhibit aberrant migration in gel systems, however, which may explain the difference observed here.

Also a part of the invention are chimeric and fusion proteins, which comprise a portion of FAP α which contain the molecule's catalytic domain, and additional, non FAP α components. The FAP α catalytic domain per se is also a part of the invention.

It is to be understood that, as described, FAP α may be glycosylated, with the type and amount of glycosylation varying, depending upon the type of cell expressing the molecule. The experiment described herein shows this. This is also true for the dimeric form of the molecule, first described herein, having a molecular weight of about 170 kilodaltons as determined by SDS-PAGE of unboiled samples.

The invention also comprehends the production of expression vectors useful in producing the FAP α molecule. In their broadest aspect, these vectors comprise the entire FAP α coding sequence or portions thereof, operably linked to a promoter. Additional elements may be a part of the expression vector, such as protein domains fused to the FAP α protein or protein portions ("fusion protein") genes which confer antibiotic resistance, amplifiable genes, and so forth.

The coding sequences and vectors may also be used to prepare cell lines, wherein the coding sequence or expression vector is used to transfect or to transform a recipient host. The type of cell used may be prokaryotic, such as *E. coli*, or eukaryotes, such as yeast, CHO, COS, or other cell types.

The identification of nucleic acid molecules such as that set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 also enables the artisan to identify and to isolate those nucleic acid molecules which hybridize to it under stringent conditions. "Stringent condition" as used herein, refers to those parameters set forth supra, whereby both murine and hamster sequences were also identified. It will be recognized by the skilled artisan that these conditions afford a degree of stringency which can be achieved using parameters which vary from those recited. Such variance is apprehended by the expression "stringent conditions".

The ability of nucleic acid molecules to hybridize to complementary molecules also enables the artisan to identify cells which express FAP α , via the use of a nucleic acid hybridization

assay. One may use the sequences described in the invention to hybridize to complementary sequences, and thus identify them. In this way, one can target mRNA, e.g., which is present in any cell expressing the FAP α molecule.

5 It is of course understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention are also useful in the production of recombinant FAP α , in both monomeric and dimeric form. The examples clearly show that host cells are capable of assembling the dimeric forms. The recombinant protein may be used, e.g., as a source of an
10 immunogen for generation of antibodies akin to known mAb F19, and with the same uses. Similarly, the recombinant protein, and/or cells which express the molecule on their surface, may be used in assays to determine antagonists, agonists, or other molecules which interact with the FAP α molecule. Such molecules may be, but are
15 not necessarily limited to, substrates, inhibiting molecules, antibodies, and so forth. This last feature of the invention should be considered in light of the observed structural resemblances to membrane bound enzymes. This type of molecule is associated with certain properties which need not be described in
20 detail here. It will suffice to say that inhibition or potentiation of these properties as associated with FAP α is a feature of this invention. For example, one may identify substrates or the substrate for FAP α molecules, via the use of recombinant cells or recombinant FAP α per se. The substrates can
25 be modified to improve their effect, to lessen their effect, or simply to label them with detectable signals so that they can be

used, e.g., to identify cells which express FAP α . Study of the interaction of substrate and FAP α , as well as that between FAP α and any molecule whatsoever, can be used to develop and/or to identify agonists and antagonists of the FAP α molecule.

Also a feature of the invention are isolated, dimeric FAP α molecules which have a molecular weight of about 170 kilodaltons as determined by SDS-PAGE, their use as an enzymatic cleaving agent, and other uses as are described herein. Enzymatically active forms of FAP α may also be produced as recombinant fusion proteins, comprising the catalytic domain of FAP α and other protein domains with suitable biochemical properties, including secretory signals, protease cleavage sites, tags for purification, and other elements known to the artisan. The fact that FAP α has particular properties, as described herein, permits the identification of the molecule on cells expressing them. In turn, because the FAP α molecule is associated with tumors and tumor stromal cells, targeting of FAP α with therapeutic agents serves as a way to treat cancerous or precancerous condition, by administering sufficient therapeutic agent to alleviate cancer load.

The experiments showing the proteolytic properties of FAP α lead to yet a further aspect of the invention. It is well known that proteases which degrade extracellular matrix, or "ECM" proteins have an important role on certain aspects of tumor growth, including their effect on tumor cell invasion, tumor blood vessel formation (i.e., neoangiogenesis), and tumor metastasis. Collagens are of special interest vis-a-vis the substrates of proteases, as

the collagens are an important part of the ECM. The fact that FAP α digests ECM suggests a therapeutic role for inhibitors of the molecule. "Inhibitors", as used herein, refers to molecules which interfere with FAP α enzyme function. Specifically excluded from such inhibitors is the monoclonal antibody F19. This mAb is known to bind to but not inhibit the enzyme function of FAP α , and hence it is not an inhibitor. The art is quite well versed with respect to monoclonal antibodies which both bind to and inhibit enzymes. Further examples of such inhibitors would include, e.g., substrate derivatives, such as modified collagen molecules, which interfere with the active site or sites of the FAP α molecule. Other suitable inhibitors will be apparent to the skilled artisan, and need not be listed here. In addition, the recombinant FAP α proteins and FAP α -transfected cell lines described supra can be employed in an enzymatic screening assay, using the substrate described supra or other suitable substrates, to identify inhibitors from any compound library,

Other aspects of the invention will be clear to the skilled artisan, and need not be set forth here.

The terms and expressions which have been employed are used as terms of description and not of limitation, and there is no intention in the use of such terms and expressions of excluding any equivalents of the features shown and described or portions thereof, it being recognized that various modifications are possible within the scope of the invention.

We claim:

1. Isolated, dimeric FAP α molecule, having a molecular weight of about 170 kilodaltons as determined by SDS-PAGE, wherein said dimeric FAP α molecule is capable of degrading extracellular matrix proteins.
2. The dimeric FAP α molecule of claim 1, wherein each monomer of said dimeric FAP α molecule consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.
3. The dimeric FAP α molecule of claim 1, produced recombinantly.
4. The dimeric FAP α molecule of claim 3, produced by a eukaryotic cell.
5. Isolated protein consisting of:
 - (i) the FAP α catalytic domain, and
 - (ii) at least one portion of a non FAP α protein.
6. Method for cleaving a terminal dipeptide of formula Xaa-Pro from a molecule, comprising contacting said molecule with a second molecule, said second molecule having FAP α enzymatic activity.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein said second molecule is isolated, dimeric FAP α .
8. The method of claim 6, wherein said second molecule comprises an FAP α catalytic domain.
9. Method for identifying an enzyme inhibitor, comprising combining:
- (i) a molecule having FAP α enzymatic activity;
 - (ii) a substrate for said molecule;
 - (iii) a substance believed to be an enzyme inhibitor; and
 - (iv) determining activity of (i) on (ii), wherein a decrease in activity when (iii) is present as compared to activity when (iii) is absent indicates that said substance is an enzyme inhibitor.
10. The method of claim 9, wherein said molecule is isolated dimeric FAP α .
11. The method of claim 9, wherein said molecule comprises an FAP α catalytic domain.

12. Method for treating a subject with a pathological condition characterized by FAP α expression, comprising administering to said subject an amount of a FAP α inhibitor sufficient to inhibit enzyme activity of FAP α .
13. The method of claim 12, wherein said inhibitor is a monoclonal antibody.
14. The method of claim 12, wherein said inhibitor is a collagen derivative.
15. The method of claim 12, wherein said pathological condition is a cancer.

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention involves dimeric forms of the protein known as fibroblast activation protein alpha, or "FAP α " and its uses.

FIG. 1

FAP	1	MKTWVKIVFGV*ATSAVLALLVMCIVLRPSRVHNSEENTMRALTLKDILN	49
CD26	1	---PW-VLL-LLGAA-LVTIITVPV--LNKGTDDATADSRKTY--T-Y-K	50
FAP	50	GTFSYKTFPPNWISGQEYLHQSadNNIVLYNIETGQSYTILSNRTMKSV*	98
CD26	51	N-YRL-LYSLR---DH---YKQ*E---LVF-A-Y-N-SVF-E-S-FDEFG	99
FAP	99	*NASNYGLSPDRQFVYLESdYSKLWRYSYTATYYIYDLSNGEFVRGNELP	147
CD26	100	HSIND-SI---G--IL--YN-V-Q--H---S-D---NKRQLITEERI-	149
		<u>fap-1</u>	
FAP	148	RPIQYLCWSPVGSKLAYVYQNNIYLKQRPDPPFQITFNGRENKIFNGIP	197
CD26	150	NNT-WVT-----H-----WN-D--V-IE-NL-SYR--WT-K-DI-Y---T	199
		<u>fap-2</u>	
FAP	198	DWVYEEEMLEPTKYALWWSPNGKFLAYAEFNDKDIPVIAYSYGYDE**QYP	245
CD26	200	-----VFSAYS-----T-----Q---TEV-L-E--F-S--SL---	249
FAP	246	RTINIPYPKAGAKNPVVRIFIIDT***TYPAYVGPQEVFPVAMIASSDY	292
CD26	250	K-VRV-----V--T-KF-VVN-DSLSSVTNATSIQITA--SMLIG-H-	299
FAP	293	FSWLTWVTDERVCLQWLKRVONVSVLSICDFREDWQTDWDCPKTQEHIEES	342
CD26	300	LCDV--A-Q--IS---R-I--Y--MD---YD-SSGR-N-LVARQ---M-	349
FAP	343	RTGWAGGFFVSRPVFSYDAISYYKIFSDKDGyKHIHYIKDTVENAIQITS	392
CD26	350	T---V-R-RP-E-H-TL-GN-F---I-NEE--R--C-FQIDKKDCTF--K	399
FAP	393	GKWEAINIFRVTQDSLfySSNEFEEYPGRRIYRISIGSYPPSKKCVTCH	442
CD26	400	-T--V-G-EAL-S-Y-Y-I---YKGM--G--L-K-QLSD-T*KVT-LS-E	448
FAP	443	LRKERCQYYTASFSDYAKYYALVCYGPPISTLHDGRTDQEIKILEENK	492
CD26	449	-NP-----SV---KE---Q-R-S---L-LY---SSVN-KGLRV--D-S	498
		<u>fap-3</u>	
FAP	493	ELENALKNIQLPKEEIKLEVDEITLWYKMILPPQFDRSKKYPLLIQVYG	542
CD26	499	A-DKM-Q-V-M-SKKLDFIILN-TKF--Q-----H--K-----LD--A	548
FAP	543	GPCSQSVRSVFAVNWISYLASKEGMVIALVDGRGTAFQGDKLLYAVYRKL	592
CD26	549	-----KADT--RL--AT----T-NIIV-SF----SGY----IMH-IN-R-	598
FAP	593	GVYEVEDQITAVRKFIEMGFIDEKRIAIWGSYEIRFITGPCIWNWSFQM	642
CD26	599	-TF-----E-A-Q-SK---V-N-----GGYVTSMVLGSGSVGFK	648
FAP	643	WYSSGSSLQLGILRVCLHRE*IHGSPNKDDNLEHYKNSTVMARAeyFRNV	691
CD26	649	CGIAVAPVSRWEYYDSVYT-RYM-L-TPE---D--R-----S---N-KQ-	698
FAP	692	DYLLINGTADDNVHFQNSAQIAKALVNAQVDFQAMWYSDQNHGLSGLSTN	741
CD26	699	E-----Q-----S----DVG-----T-ED--IASSTA	748
FAP	742	*HLYTHMTHFLKQCFSLSD	
CD26	749	Q-I-----S--I-----P	

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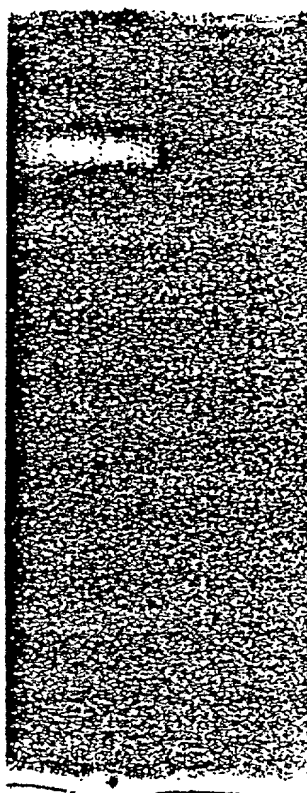
FIG. 2

	Breast Cancer	MFH	Healing Wound	Renal Cancer
FAP α	A ⊕	C ⊕	E ⊕	G ⊖
CD26	B ⊖	D ⊖	F ⊕	H ⊕

Immunohistochemistry (See Kodachromes)

FIG. 3

293-FAP
293



— 205 kD

— 116 kD

— 97.4 kD

— 66 kD

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 - (A) MEDIUM TYPE: Diskette, 3.5 inch, 2.0 MB storage
 - (B) COMPUTER: IBM PS/2
 - (C) OPERATING SYSTEM: PC-DOS
 - (D) SOFTWARE: Wordperfect
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 - (A) APPLICATION NUMBER: 08/619,280
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 - (A) APPLICATION NUMBER: 08/230,491
 - (B) FILING DATE: 20-APRIL-1994
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 1:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 2815 Base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ. ID NO: 1:

AAGAACGCCC	CCAAATCTG	TTTCTAATTT	TACAGAAATC	TTTTGAAACT	TGGCACGGTA	60
TTCAAAAGTC	CGTGGAAGA	AAAAACCTT	GTCCTGGCTT	CAGCTTCCAA	CTACAAAGAC	120
AGACTTGGTC	CTTTTCAACG	GTTTTACAG	ATCCAGTGAC	CCACGCTCTG	AAGACAGAAT	180
TAGCTAACTT	TCAAAAACAT	CTGGAAAAAT	GAAGACTTGG	GTAAAAATCG	TATTTGGAGT	240
TGCCACCTCT	GCTGTGCTTG	CCTTATTGGT	GATGTGCATT	GTCTTACGCC	CTTCAAGAGT	300
TCATAACTCT	GAAGAAAATA	CAATGAGAGC	ACTCACACTG	AAGGATATTT	TAAATGGAAC	360
ATTTTCTTAT	AAAACATTTT	TTCCAAACTG	GATTTTCAGG	CAAGAATATC	TTCATCAATC	420
TGCAGATAAC	AATATAGTAC	TTTATAATAT	TGAAACAGGA	CAATCATATA	CCATTTTGAG	480
TAATAGAACC	ATGAAAAGTG	TGAATGCTTC	AAATTACGGC	TTATCACCTG	ATCGGCAATT	540
TGTATATCTA	GAAAGTGATT	ATTCAAAGCT	TTGGAGATAC	TCTTACACAG	CAACATATTA	600
CATCTATGAC	CTTAGCAATG	GAGAATTTGT	AAGAGGAAAT	GAGCTTCCTC	GTCCAATTCA	660
GTATTTATGC	TGGTCGCTTG	TTGGGAGTAA	ATTAGCATAT	GTCTATCAAA	ACAATATCTA	720
TTTGAAACAA	AGACCAGGAG	ATCCACCTTT	TCAAATAACA	TTAATGGAA	GAGAAAATAA	780
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TCTCTGGTGG	TCTCCTAATG	GAAAATTTTT	GGCATATGCG	GAATTTAATG	ATAAGGATAT	900
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TTGTCCAAAG	ACCCAGGAGC	ATATAGAAGA	AAGCAGAACT	GGATGGGCTG	GTGGATTCTT	1260
TGTTTCAAGA	CCAGTTTTCA	GCTATGATGC	CATTTCTGAC	TACAAAATAT	TTAGTGACAA	1320
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AAGTGGCAAG	TGGGAGGCCA	TAAATATATT	CAGAGTAACA	CAGGATTCAC	TGTTTTATTC	1440
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CTATCCTCCA	AGCAAGAAGT	GTGTTACTTG	CCATCTAAGG	AAAGAAAGGT	GCCAATATTA	1560
CACAGCAAGT	TTCAGCGACT	ACGCCAAGTA	CTATGCACTT	GTCTGCTACG	GCCCAGGCAT	1620
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CAGCTGGGAA	TATTACGCGT	CTGTCTACAC	AGAGAGATTCT	ATGGGTCTCC	CAACAAAGGA	2220
TGATAATCTT	GAGCACTATA	AGAATTCAAC	TGTGATGGCA	AGAGCAGAAT	ATTTTCAGAAA	2280
TGTAGACTAT	CTTCTCATCC	ACGGAACAGC	AGATGATAAT	GTGCACTTTC	AAAACCTCAGC	2340
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CCAGAACCAC	GGCTTATCCG	GCCTGTCCAC	GAACCACTTA	TACACCCACA	TGACCCACTT	2460
CCTAAAGCAG	TGTTTCTCTT	TGTCAGACTA	AAAACGATGC	AGATGCAAGC	CTGTATCAGA	2520
ATCTGAAAAC	CTTATATAAA	CCCCTCAGAC	AGTTTGCTTA	TTTTATTTTT	TATGTTGTAA	2580
AATGCTAGTA	TAAACAAACA	AATTAATGTT	GTTCTAAAGG	CTGTTAAAAA	AAAGATGAGG	2640
ACTCAGAAGT	TCAAGCTAAA	TATTGTTTAC	ATTTTCTGGT	ACTCTGTGAA	AGAAGAGAAA	2700

AGGGAGTCAT GCATTTTGCT TTGGACACAG TGTTTTATCA CCTGTTTCATT TGAAGAAAAA 2760
 TAATAAAGTC AGAAGTTCAA AAAAAAAAAA AAAAAAAAAA AAAGCGGCCG CTCGA 2815

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 760 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 2:

Met Lys Thr Trp Val Lys Ile Val Phe Gly Val Ala Thr Ser Ala Val
 5 10 15
 Leu Ala Leu Leu Val Met Cys Ile Val Leu Arg Pro Ser Arg Val His
 20 25 30
 Asn Ser Glu Glu Asn Thr Met Arg Ala Leu Thr Leu Lys Asp Ile Leu
 35 40 45
 Asn Gly Thr Phe Ser Tyr Lys Thr Phe Phe Pro Asn Trp Ile Ser Gly
 50 55 60
 Gln Glu Tyr Leu His Gln Ser Ala Asp Asn Asn Ile Val Leu Tyr Asn
 65 70 75 80
 Ile Glu Thr Gly Gln Ser Tyr Thr Ile Leu Ser Asn Arg Thr Met Lys
 85 90 95
 Ser Val Asn Ala Ser Asn Tyr Gly Leu Ser Pro Asp Arg Gln Phe Val
 100 105 110
 Tyr Leu Glu Ser Asp Tyr Ser Lys Leu Trp Arg Tyr Ser Tyr Thr Ala
 115 120 125
 Thr Tyr Tyr Ile Tyr Asp Leu Ser Asn Gly Glu Phe Val Arg Gly Asn
 130 135 140
 Glu Leu Pro Arg Pro Ile Gln Tyr Leu Cys Trp Ser Pro Val Gly Ser
 145 150 155 160
 Lys Leu Ala Tyr Val Tyr Gln Asn Asn Ile Tyr Leu Lys Gln Arg Pro
 165 170 175
 Gly Asp Pro Pro Phe Gln Ile Thr Phe Asn Gly Arg Glu Asn Lys Ile
 180 185 190
 Phe Asn Gly Ile Pro Asp Trp Val Tyr Glu Glu Glu Met Leu Pro Thr
 195 200 205
 Lys Tyr Ala Leu Trp Trp Ser Pro Asn Gly Lys Phe Leu Ala Tyr Ala
 210 215 220

Glu	Phe	Asn	Asp	Lys	Asp	Ile	Pro	Val	Ile	Ala	Tyr	Ser	Tyr	Tyr	Gly	225	230	235	240
Asp	Glu	Gln	Tyr	Pro	Arg	Thr	Ile	Asn	Ile	Pro	Tyr	Pro	Lys	Ala	Gly	245	250	255	
Ala	Lys	Asn	Pro	Val	Val	Arg	Ile	Phe	Ile	Ile	Asp	Thr	Thr	Tyr	Pro	260	265	270	
Ala	Tyr	Val	Gly	Pro	Gln	Glu	Val	Pro	Val	Pro	Ala	Met	Ile	Ala	Ser	275	280	285	
Ser	Asp	Tyr	Tyr	Phe	Ser	Trp	Leu	Thr	Trp	Val	Thr	Asp	Glu	Arg	Val	290	295	300	
Cys	Leu	Gln	Trp	Leu	Lys	Arg	Val	Gln	Asn	Val	Ser	Val	Leu	Ser	Ile	305	310	315	320
Cys	Asp	Phe	Arg	Glu	Asp	Trp	Gln	Thr	Trp	Asp	Cys	Pro	Lys	Thr	Gln	325	330	335	
Glu	His	Ile	Glu	Glu	Ser	Arg	Thr	Gly	Trp	Ala	Gly	Gly	Phe	Phe	Val	340	345	350	
Ser	Arg	Pro	Val	Phe	Ser	Tyr	Asp	Ala	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Tyr	Lys	Ile	Phe	355	360	365	
Ser	Asp	Lys	Asp	Gly	Tyr	Lys	His	Ile	His	Tyr	Ile	Lys	Asp	Thr	Val	370	375	380	
Glu	Asn	Ala	Ile	Gln	Ile	Thr	Ser	Gly	Lys	Trp	Glu	Ala	Ile	Asn	Ile	385	390	395	400
Phe	Arg	Val	Thr	Gln	Asp	Ser	Leu	Phe	Tyr	Ser	Ser	Asn	Glu	Phe	Glu	405	410	415	
Glu	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Arg	Arg	Asn	Ile	Tyr	Arg	Ile	Ser	Ile	Gly	Ser	Tyr	420	425	430	
Pro	Pro	Ser	Lys	Lys	Cys	Val	Thr	Cys	His	Leu	Arg	Lys	Glu	Arg	Cys	435	440	445	
Gln	Tyr	Tyr	Thr	Ala	Ser	Phe	Ser	Asp	Tyr	Ala	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Ala	Leu	450	455	460	
Val	Cys	Tyr	Gly	Pro	Gly	Ile	Pro	Ile	Ser	Thr	Leu	His	Asp	Gly	Arg	465	470	475	480
Thr	Asp	Gln	Glu	Ile	Lys	Ile	Leu	Glu	Glu	Asn	Lys	Glu	Leu	Glu	Asn	485	490	495	
Ala	Leu	Lys	Asn	Ile	Gln	Leu	Pro	Lys	Glu	Glu	Ile	Lys	Lys	Leu	Glu	500	505	510	

Val	Asp	Glu	Ile	Thr	Leu	Trp	Tyr	Lys	Met	Ile	Leu	Pro	Pro	Gln	Phe	515	520	525
Asp	Arg	Ser	Lys	Lys	Tyr	Pro	Leu	Leu	Ile	Gln	Val	Tyr	Gly	Gly	Pro	530	535	540
Cys	Ser	Gln	Ser	Val	Arg	Ser	Val	Phe	Ala	Val	Asn	Trp	Ile	Ser	Tyr	545	550	555
Leu	Ala	Ser	Lys	Glu	Gly	Met	Val	Ile	Ala	Leu	Val	Asp	Gly	Arg	Gly	565	570	575
Thr	Ala	Phe	Gln	Gly	Asp	Lys	Leu	Leu	Tyr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Arg	Lys	Leu	580	585	590
Gly	Val	Tyr	Glu	Val	Glu	Asp	Gln	Ile	Thr	Ala	Val	Arg	Lys	Phe	Ile	595	600	605
Glu	Met	Gly	Phe	Ile	Asp	Glu	Lys	Arg	Ile	Ala	Ile	Trp	Gly	Trp	Ser	610	615	620
Tyr	Gly	Gly	Tyr	Val	Ser	Ser	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala	Ser	Gly	Thr	Gly	Leu	625	630	635
Phe	Lys	Cys	Gly	Ile	Ala	Val	Ala	Pro	Val	Ser	Ser	Trp	Glu	Tyr	Tyr	645	650	655
Ala	Ser	Val	Tyr	Thr	Glu	Arg	Phe	Met	Gly	Leu	Pro	Thr	Lys	Asp	Asp	660	665	670
Asn	Leu	Glu	His	Tyr	Lys	Asn	Ser	Thr	Val	Met	Ala	Arg	Ala	Glu	Tyr	675	680	685
Phe	Arg	Asn	Val	Asp	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Ile	His	Gly	Thr	Ala	Asp	Asp	Asn	690	695	700
Val	His	Phe	Gln	Asn	Ser	Ala	Gln	Ile	Ala	Lys	Ala	Leu	Val	Asn	Ala	705	710	715
Gln	Val	Asp	Phe	Gln	Ala	Met	Trp	Tyr	Ser	Asp	Gln	Asn	His	Gly	Leu	725	730	735
Ser	Gly	Leu	Ser	Thr	Asn	His	Leu	Tyr	Thr	His	Met	Thr	His	Phe	Leu	740	745	750
Lys	Gln	Cys	Phe	Ser	Leu	Ser	Asp									755	760	

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 3:
 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 766 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 3:

Met Lys Thr Pro Trp Lys Val Leu Leu Gly Leu Leu Gly Ala Ala Ala .
 5 10 15

Leu Val Thr Ile Ile Thr Val Pro Val Val Leu Leu Asn Lys Gly Thr
 20 25 30

Asp Asp Ala Thr Ala Asp Ser Arg Lys Thr Tyr Thr Leu Thr Asp Tyr
 35 40 45

Leu Lys Asn Thr Tyr Arg Leu Lys Leu Tyr Ser Leu Arg Trp Ile Ser
 50 55 60

Asp His Glu Tyr Leu Tyr Lys Gln Glu Asn Asn Ile Leu Val Phe Asn
 65 70 75 80

Ala Glu Tyr Gly Asn Ser Ser Val Phe Leu Glu Asn Ser Thr Phe Asp
 85 90 95

Glu Phe Gly His Ser Ile Asn Asp Tyr Ser Ile Ser Pro Asp Gly Gln
 100 105 110

Phe Ile Leu Leu Glu Tyr Asn Tyr Val Lys Gln Trp Arg His Ser Tyr
 115 120 125

Thr Ala Ser Tyr Asp Ile Tyr Asp Leu Asn Lys Arg Gln Leu Ile Thr
 130 135 140

Glu Glu Arg Ile Pro Asn Asn Thr Gln Trp Val Thr Trp Ser Pro Val
 145 150 155 165

Gly His Lys Leu Ala Tyr Val Trp Asn Asn Asp Ile Tyr Val Lys Ile
 170 175 180

Glu Pro Asn Leu Pro Ser Tyr Arg Ile Thr Trp Thr Gly Lys Glu Asp
 185 190 195

Ile Ile Tyr Asn Gly Ile Thr Asp Trp Val Tyr Glu Glu Glu Val Phe
 200 205 210

Ser Ala Tyr Ser Ala Leu Trp Trp Ser Pro Asn Gly Thr Phe Leu Ala
 215 220 225

Tyr Ala Gln Phe Asn Asp Thr Glu Val Pro Leu Ile Glu Tyr Ser Phe
 230 235 240 245

Tyr	Ser	Asp	Glu	Ser	Leu	Gln	Tyr	Pro	Lys	Thr	Val	Arg	Val	Pro	Tyr
				250					255					260	
Pro	Lys	Ala	Gly	Ala	Val	Asn	Pro	Thr	Val	Lys	Phe	Phe	Val	Val	Asn
			265					270					275		
Thr	Asp	Ser	Leu	Ser	Ser	Val	Thr	Asn	Ala	Thr	Ser	Ile	Gln	Ile	Thr
		280					285					290			
Ala	Pro	Ala	Ser	Met	Leu	Ile	Gly	Asp	His	Tyr	Leu	Cys	Asp	Val	Thr
	295					300					305				
Trp	Ala	Thr	Gln	Glu	Arg	Ile	Ser	Leu	Gln	Trp	Leu	Arg	Arg	Ile	Gln
310					315					320					325
Asn	Tyr	Ser	Val	Met	Asp	Ile	Cys	Asp	Tyr	Asp	Glu	Ser	Ser	Gly	Arg
				330					335					340	
Trp	Asn	Cys	Leu	Val	Ala	Arg	Gln	His	Ile	Glu	Met	Ser	Thr	Thr	Gly
			345					350					355		
Trp	Val	Gly	Arg	Phe	Arg	Pro	Ser	Glu	Pro	His	Phe	Thr	Leu	Asp	Gly
		360					365					370			
Asn	Ser	Phe	Tyr	Lys	Ile	Ile	Ser	Asn	Glu	Glu	Gly	Tyr	Arg	His	Ile
	375					380					385				
Cys	Tyr	Phe	Gln	Ile	Asp	Lys	Lys	Asp	Cys	Thr	Phe	Ile	Thr	Lys	Gly
390					395					400					405
Thr	Trp	Glu	Val	Ile	Gly	Ile	Glu	Ala	Leu	Thr	Ser	Asp	Tyr	Leu	Tyr
				410					415					420	
Tyr	Ile	Ser	Asn	Glu	Tyr	Lys	Gly	Met	Pro	Gly	Gly	Arg	Asn	Leu	Tyr
			425					430					435		
Lys	Ile	Gln	Leu	Ser	Asp	Tyr	Thr	Lys	Val	Thr	Cys	Leu	Ser	Cys	Glu
		440					445					450			
Leu	Asn	Pro	Glu	Arg	Cys	Gln	Tyr	Tyr	Ser	Val	Ser	Phe	Ser	Lys	Glu
	455					460					460				
Ala	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Gln	Leu	Arg	Cys	Ser	Gly	Pro	Gly	Leu	Pro	Leu	Tyr
465					470					475					480
Thr	Leu	His	Ser	Ser	Val	Asn	Asp	Lys	Gly	Leu	Arg	Val	Leu	Glu	Asp
				485					490					495	
Asn	Ser	Ala	Leu	Asp	Lys	Met	Leu	Gln	Asn	Val	Gln	Met	Pro	Ser	Lys
			500					505					510		
Lys	Leu	Asp	Phe	Ile	Ile	Leu	Asn	Glu	Thr	Lys	Phe	Trp	Tyr	Gln	Met
		515					520					525			

Ile	Leu	Pro	Pro	His	Phe	Asp	Lys	Ser	Lys	Lys	Tyr	Pro	Leu	Leu	Leu
530						535					540				
Asp	Val	Tyr	Ala	Gly	Pro	Cys	Ser	Gln	Lys	Ala	Asp	Thr	Val	Phe	Arg
545					550					555					560
Leu	Asn	Trp	Ala	Thr	Tyr	Leu	Ala	Ser	Thr	Glu	Asn	Ile	Ile	Val	Ala
				565					570					575	
Ser	Phe	Asp	Gly	Arg	Gly	Ser	Gly	Tyr	Gln	Gly	Asp	Lys	Ile	Met	His
			580					585					590		
Ala	Ile	Asn	Arg	Arg	Leu	Gly	Thr	Phe	Glu	Val	Glu	Asp	Gln	Ile	Glu
		595					600					605			
Ala	Ala	Arg	Gln	Phe	Ser	Lys	Met	Gly	Phe	Val	Asp	Asn	Lys	Arg	Ile
	610					615					620				
Ala	Ile	Trp	Gly	Trp	Ser	Tyr	Gly	Gly	Tyr	Val	Thr	Ser	Met	Val	Leu
625					630					635					640
Gly	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Val	Phe	Lys	Cys	Gly	Ile	Ala	Val	Ala	Pro	Val
				645					650					655	
Ser	Arg	Trp	Glu	Tyr	Tyr	Asp	Ser	Val	Tyr	Thr	Glu	Arg	Tyr	Met	Gly
			660					665					670		
Leu	Pro	Thr	Pro	Glu	Asp	Asn	Leu	Asp	His	Tyr	Arg	Asn	Ser	Thr	Val
		675					680					685			
Met	Ser	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asn	Phe	Lys	Gln	Val	Glu	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Ile	His
	690					695					700				
Gly	Thr	Ala	Asp	Asp	Asn	Val	His	Phe	Gln	Gln	Ser	Ala	Gln	Ile	Ser
705					710					715					720
Lys	Ala	Leu	Val	Asp	Val	Gly	Val	Asp	Phe	Gln	Ala	Met	Trp	Tyr	Thr
				725					730					735	
Asp	Glu	Asp	His	Gly	Ile	Ala	Ser	Ser	Thr	Ala	His	Gln	His	Ile	Tyr
			740					745					750		
Thr	His	Met	Ser	His	Phe	Ile	Lys	Gln	Cys	Phe	Ser	Leu	Pro		
		755					760					765			

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 4:
(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
(ix) FEATURE:
 (D) OTHER INFORMATION: The first Xaa is either Trp or Phe.
(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 4:

Xaa Gly Trp Ser Tyr Gly Gly
5

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:
(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

Phe Gly Lys Asp Tyr Gly Gly
5

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 6:
(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
(ix) FEATURE:
 (D) OTHER INFORMATION: Xaa is either Ala or Gly
(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 6:

Gly Thr Xaa Asp Asp Asn Val
5

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 7:
(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 7:

Ala Gln Asn His Gly Leu Ser
5

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 8:

(i) .SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ix) FEATURE:

(D) OTHER INFORMATION:

The first Xaa is Glu or Ser. When the first Xaa is Glu, the second Xaa is Gly and the third is Ala. When the first Xaa is Ser, the second Xaa is Ser, and the third Xaa is Arg.

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 8:

Asp Xaa Asp His Xaa Ile Xaa

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ix) FEATURE:

(D) OTHER INFORMATION:

Xaa is Pro or Ala.

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 9:

Xaa Thr Ala Asp Glu Lys Ile

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 10:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ix) FEATURE:

(D) OTHER INFORMATION:

Xaa is Thr, His or Ser.

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 10:

Asp Glu Ser His Tyr Phe Xaa

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